

H. R. 419.

[No Report.]

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,

DECEMBER 26, 1850.

MR. McCLEARNAND, by unanimous consent, introduced the following bill; which was read twice, and referred to the Committee on Foreign Affairs.

A BILL

To re-organize and improve the efficiency of the Department of State.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Repre-*
2 *sentatives of the United States of America in Congress*
3 *assembled,* That an officer shall be appointed in the State
4 Department, by the Secretary of State, to be called the
5 Assistant Secretary of State, whose salary shall be three
6 thousand dollars per annum, who shall perform such du-
7 ties as shall be assigned to him by the Secretary of State.

1 SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That it shall be
2 lawful for the Secretary of State to employ, in addition to
3 the clerks authorized by existing laws, four principal clerks,
4 whose salaries, respectively, shall not exceed the sum of
5 two thousand dollars per annum; and one clerk whose
6 salary shall not exceed fourteen hundred dollars per an-
7 num.